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¶1. (U) In response to reftel inquiry, Angola has no rubber industry at present. The Embassy has not heard serious discussion of creating a rubber industry.

¶2. (U) Although Angola has a large and growing diamond industry, in-country cutting and polishing remains limited. However, a new state of the art diamond cutting and polishing plant has opened in the Talatona suburb of southern Luanda. There is no published information on capacity of this facility.

¶3. (U) POC at post for follow-up information is Mark Schall at schallmd@state.gov or 244-222-641-089.

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